NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE STATE OF NEBRASKA

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STATE OF NEBRASKA	FILED
DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE,	FINDINGS OF FACT,
PETITIONER,)	CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, RECOMMENDED ORDER AND ORDER
VS.	•
HAROLD P. MOLLIN, AND CUSTOMIZED) WORLDWIDE WEATHER INSURANCE) AGENCY, INC.)	CAUSE NO. A-1414
RESPONDENTS.	
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This matter came on for hearing on the 12th day of October, 2000, before Manuel Montelongo, a hearing officer duly appointed by the Director of the Nebraska Department of Insurance. The Nebraska Department of Insurance ("Department") was represented by its attorney, Christy Neighbors, and Addie Patten, a senior certified law student.

Harold P. Mollin, and Customized Worldwide Weather Insurance Agency, Inc., ("Respondent"), were not present and were not represented by an attorney. The proceedings were tape recorded by Stacey Bellefeuille, a licensed Notary Public. Evidence was introduced, and the matter was taken under advisement. As a result of the hearing, the hearing officer makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommended Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Harold P. Mollin is a licensed nonresident Nebraska insurance agent whose current registered address with the Department is 1615 Northern Blvd, #301, Manhasset, New York 11030. Customized Worldwide Weather Insurance Agency, Inc., is a licensed insurance agency in Nebraska with the same registered address as Harold P. Mollin.

- 2. The Department is the agency of the State of Nebraska charged with licensing insurance agents and brokers.
- 3. The Petition and Notice of Hearing were served upon the Respondents by mailing the same to their address of record by certified mail, return receipt requested. Respondents received the Petition and Notice of Hearing on September 21, 2000, as evidenced by the return receipt card attached to Exhibit #1.
- 4. Respondent Harold P. Mollin is the designated licensed agent for Worldwide Weather, and possesses full responsibility for the conduct of all business transactions of the insurance agency pursuant to Neb.Rev.Stat. § 44-4014.
- 5. On or about July 22, 1992, Respondents entered into a Consent Order with the State of New York Insurance Department, whereby Respondents admitted to violating New York insurance law by making 26 insurance placements in the excess line market, and failing to make the proper filings of required affidavits with the Excess Line Association within 45 days of the policy's inception date.
- 6. On or about June 14, 2000, Barbara Ems, an Insurance Investigator of the Department, sent Respondents certified requests to Respondents' business addresses that they provide the Nebraska Department of Insurance with information regarding the termination of Respondent Worldwide Weather's agency appointment and Respondent Mollin's agent appointment with Jewelers Mutual Insurance Company.
- 7. On or about July 10, 2000, Christine Curtis, the Administrator of the Consumer Affairs Division, sent Respondent Mollin a certified request to Respondent's business address that he provide the Department with a written response to the Department's inquiring of June 10, 2000.

8. Respondents failed to respond to the Department within fifteen days after receiving the aforementioned inquiries.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Department has jurisdiction and control over the licensing of Respondents to sell insurance in the State of Nebraska pursuant to Neb.Rev.Stat. §44-101.01 and §44-4001 et seq.
 - 2. The Department has personal jurisdiction over Respondents.
 - 3. The Respondents violated Neb.Rev.Stat. §44-4028 (1) and (17).

RECOMMENDED ORDER

Based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is recommended that:

1. The insurance agent license of Respondent Harold P. Mollin and the insurance agency license of Customized Worldwide Weather Insurance Agency, Inc. be revoked. Further, that prior to any consideration of reinstatement or issuance of their insurance agent and agency licenses the Respondent must provide a written response to the Department's inquiry.

Dated this $\frac{13}{2}$ day of October, 2000.

STATE OF NEBRASKA
DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

HEARING OFFICER

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I have reviewed the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommended Order and hereby certify that the Recommended Order is adopted as the official and final Order of this Department in the matter of State of Nebraska vs. Harold P. Mollin, and Customized Worldwide Weather Insurance Agency, Inc., Cause No. A-1414.

Dated this 13+4 day of October, 2000.

STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

Director of Insurance

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Petition and Notice of Hearing was served upon Respondents by mailing a copy to Respondent Mollin and Respondent Worldwide Weather at Customized World Wide Weather Insurance Agency, Inc., 1615 Northern Blvd, #301, Manhasset, New York 11030, by certified mail, return receipt requested, on this 15 day of October, 2000.

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